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SUBJ: IEA-MARCH6-7 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT

REF: STATE 046682

1.AMBASSADOR RAVNE AND THE NORWEGIAN PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE TO
OECD WILL REPRESENT NORWAY AT IEA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON
MARCH 6-7 AND AT STANDING GROUP MEETING ON MARCH 5. RAVNE HAD
FOLLOWING REACTION TO COORDINATED SYSTEM OF COOPERATION OUTLINED
IN STATE 46682.

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2. NORWAY IS NOT YET AN ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF THE IEA AND QUESTION OF ITS ASSOCIATION IS ITEM 10 ON 10-POINT AGENDA FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING. THEREFORE, WHILE NORWAY WILL PARTICIPATE IN GOVERNING BOARD MEETING, IT WILL BE UNABLE TO VOTE ON ISSUES.

3. RE PARAGRAPH 2, SUB-PARAGRAPH (1) AND PARAGRAPH 4 OF STATE 46682, RAVNE SAID THAT NORWEGIAN APPROACH WILL DEPEND ON ANSWER TO QUESTION OF WHETHER TARIFF OR COMMON FLOOR PRICE APPLIES TO OIL PRODUCED BY IEA MEMBERS AS WELL AS TO OUTSIDE OIL. NORWAY ASKED THIS QUESTION AT A RECENT IEA MEETING, BUT HAS NOT RECEIVED AN ANSWER. RAVEN HOPES ANSWER WILL BE GIVEN AT MARCH 5 MEETING SO THAT NORWAY CAN TAKE A POSITION FOR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON MARCH 6 AND 7.

4. RE PARAGRAPH 3, SUB-PARAGRAPH (2) AND (3) OF STATE 46682, RAVNE SAID THAT HE ASSUMED THESE POINTS REFERRED TO SPECIAL ACTIVITIES OF IEA IN WHICH MEMBERS WILL PARTICIPATE ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS. NORWAY SUPPORTS PRINCIPAL OF COOPERATION IN THESE AREAS BUT WOULD HAVE TO DETERMINE WHETHER TO PARTICIPATE ON A PROJECT FOR PROJECT BASIS.

5. NORWAY SUPPORTS POINTS IN PARAGRAPH 5 AND 6 OF STATE 46682.

6. RAVNE AGREES WITH NEED TO ARRIVE AT A COMMON DETERMINATION OF WHERE IEA IS GOING AND TO DRAW UP A CREDIBLE PROGRAM WHICH DEMONSTRATES IEA SOLIDARITY PRIOR TO PRODUCER-CONSUMER MEETING, BUT HOPES THAT MAIN ISSUES WILL NOT BE LOST OR OBSCURED IN WELTER OF SUB ISSUES AND SEEMING PRESS TO MOVE FORWARD EVERYWHERE SIMULTANEOUSLY.
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